

WIDOWS SHOWING UP

Good Sized Crop After An Unfortunate's Fortune.

ALL LOVED HIM OF COURSE

But Somehow or Other They Forgot Him Until He Died and the News that He Had Left a Fortune Was Sent Over the Wires—And Then They Woke Up.

Bellingham, Oct. 31.—Four widows are claiming the \$900,000 fortune left by William H. Wilson, a stonecutter, who died in Bellingham a few days ago. Each widow declares she had a husband named Wilson, and is anxious to lay hands on the cash and property that the dead man refused to accept as an inheritance.

The last claimant is Mrs. William Wilson Bothwell of San Francisco, who has written to the Bellingham Chief of Police asking for full particulars, and as the Chief forwarded her a reply to-day, it is likely the San Francisco woman will soon be in the race for wealth with a lawyer to back her.

The other widows hail from the East, one living in Cincinnati and two in New York City. Each affirms that her husband was the "scapegoat," the name that Wilson applied to himself. In addition to the widows other enterprising people have employed lawyers to represent them.

NOVEMBER TERM OF CLATSOP COUNTY COURT.

Session Opens This Morning and There Are a Number of Important Matters to Be Disposed of.

At the regular meeting of the County Court, which convenes today, there are a number of important matters to be

taken up and disposed of among them being the letting of contracts for advertising the delinquent tax sale; for the building of various pieces of road and other matters.

An important subject to come before the Court for discussion, and probably for settlement, is the question of establishing diking districts and building and maintaining dikes. Readers of the Astorian will remember that the point was raised some two months ago, when J. Q. A. Bowly as attorney for a number of people in the Lewis and Clark section, appeared before the County Court and asked that steps be taken to establish a diking district in the section named, in accordance with the act passed for the creation of diking districts and the assessment of property benefited to pay for the work.

Being in doubt as to whether any liability incurred under that law would be considered as a debt against the county and thus be illegal the question was referred to District Attorney Allen for an opinion and it is expected that he will appear before the Court during the present session with his views on the subject.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

At the Occident.

R. M. Watson, Seaside.
T. G. Coleman, Portland.
O. S. Ryser, Minneapolis.
C. W. Ransom, San Francisco.
F. A. Clarke, Portland.
John Grady, Portland.
J. T. Gregory, Portland.
F. S. Meyer, Portland.
C. C. Going, Portland.
J. B. Ballentine, Portland.
M. McCuaig, San Francisco.
S. C. Puer, Jr., Portland.
C. J. Erickson, Astoria.
R. G. Durhamb, Portland.
M. Wise, Portland.
Ben Woosley, Svensen.
Alfred Mitchell, Portland.

Croup.

A reliable medicine and one that should always be kept in the home for immediate use is Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It will prevent the attack if given as soon as the child becomes hoarse, or even after the croupy cough appears. For sale by Frank Hart and leading druggists.

BAR, BAY AND RIVER

Nicomedia Arrives in From the Flowery Kingdom.

CLEM RANDALL'S NEW POST

Observations Taken Along Astoria's Waterfront Yesterday—Movements of All Manner of Craft—Steam and Sail—Master and Man—Marine Notes.

The steamer Alliance, from San Francisco, Eureka and Coos Bay points arrived at the Callender pier yesterday morning with Captain Kelley on the bridge. Captain Kelley reports a pleasant trip up. Among the passengers on the Alliance were United States Senator Charles W. Fulton, and Collector of Customs W. L. Robb, of this city, returning from Marshfield. Both gentlemen report a delightful journey and both claim abundant reasons to commend the hospitality of the Marshfielders and other Coos Bayites, who, they say, simply forgot nothing in the way of forethought and courtesy in their behalf.

Senator Fulton, after reviewing the situation at Cos Bay and Coquille river says considerable dredging work is needed within the harbor and that the construction of a jetty from the south shore of the bay will be of great value and would soon provide a thirty foot low water channel across the bar; and realizing the urgency of these improvements will do all possible at the coming session to secure Congressional aid in both relations.

Shipment of Sailors.

The steamer South Bay from San Francisco now running in place of the steamer Aurelia, lately injured in collision in San Francisco Bay, arrived here late yesterday afternoon. She had on board sixteen sailors shipped below, for service on the Russian bark Fennia, bound hence to Falmouth, England. These were transferred to the Fennia in the lower bay by Captain Jim Keatling's boat pilot, as well as four men for the schooner Chehalis at Knappton. The Fennia will get to sea this morning, and it is expected the Chehalis will clear at once, as she has finished loading.

Luck Has Turned.

A rumor has reached Astoria from San Francisco, to the effect that Capt. Clem Randall, late of the steamship St. Paul, has been suspended by the board of inspectors sitting in judgment upon him for his recent loss of that vessel, and that he has accepted a position there, as superintendent of some steamboat company operating in San Francisco Bay, and at a salary far in excess of what he has been earning as captain of the S. F. & P. fleet.

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM

The schooner Beulah crossed out yesterday, lumber laden for San Pedro.

Captain Hardwick late of the Alliance is in San Francisco, on waiting orders.

The Sue H. Elmore will leave this morning for Tillamook City and Coos Bay points.

The handsome French bark L' Hemrite left up for Portland on the Harvest Queen's hawvers yesterday afternoon.

The steamer F. A. Kilburn came down from Portland yesterday and went to sea immediately, San Francisco bound.

The steamship Columbia came in early yesterday morning and after docking a few tons of freight here, went on to Portland.

The British steamship Nicomedia, from Hong Kong arrived in yesterday, and went to Portland under pilotage of Captain Archie Pease.

The German Ship Arthur Fitzgerald reported ready for sea a week ago, in the Portland papers will it is thought leave down from there on the Oklahoma tow-line today.

The barkentine Portland, in ballast from San Pedro, California, crossed the Columbia river bar yesterday afternoon and will leave up for Portland sometime today.

The lighthouse tender Heather yesterday replaced No. 8 buoy in the bar channel, displaced on Monday by a

shot from Fort Stevens during great gun practice.

Captain J. H. Kennedy, of the British steamship Mounmouthshire, well known in this port, was recently killed in Baltimore by being crushed between his ship's side and the dock at which she was lying.

The steamer Undine was about two hours off her 7 o'clock schedule last night, but went up the river with a big line of freight and a number of passengers among whom were Thos. Coleman, John Jacobs and Eric Matheson.

The motor schooner Gerald C. arrived in from Alsea Bay yesterday morning and part of her cargo was wreck-junk from the steamer Harrison piled up there about a month ago. The Gerald will leave out and down for Nehalem today.

The steamer Nicomedia just in from Hong Kong spoke the British ship Scottish Moors, 150 miles N. N. W. of this port on Monday, bound to Tacoma from San Francisco, and was asked to report the latter upon his arrival here which he very promptly did.

Pilot Johnson of the San Francisco bar service, who was on the bridge of the steamer Alameda when she went on the rocks at Fort Point, has been suspended from duty for a period of four months by the pilot commissioners. This decision was arrived at yesterday. The suspension dates from the second of October.

After escaping from the whaling ship Jeanette, Richard Talbot, a sailor, has arrived in San Francisco, and sworn to a warrant charging Captain Newth of the Jeanette, with tricing him to the rigging while the ship was on the high seas. The Jeanette is expected soon to arrive from the north, and Captain Newth will have to face the gravest kind of a charge.

Contractor Roberts is having a whole lot of trouble raising and beaching the lighthouse tender Manzanita. He had succeeded in turning her so she was headed for the Washington shore and had raised her so her deck rails were in view when some of the heavy tackle gave way and the steamer went to the

bottom again. She is 100 yards further down stream than when she was sunk by the McCracken tow.

The lightship "No. 67" now docked at the government buoy depot has been beached and examined thoroughly for injuries sustained during her wild flight ashore from her ocean anchorage and the subsequent hauling she underwent in crossing Peacock Spit and Sand Island, and while it was found that her rudder and part of her keelson were gone, her wounds are few and she can be quickly and cheaply put in prime condition for sea service again. Her condition will be immediately reported at Washington, and orders are expected soon providing for her re-equipment and repair.

The steamer Telegraph will be here tomorrow sure; newly painted, handsomer, and swifter, than ever.

The bar-meters here fell two-tenths yesterday forenoon. This means something for people afloat and ashore.

CELEBRATE HOLLOW'E'N.

Young People's Society Entertains at Home of Mrs. Stevenson.

An old fashioned hallow'e'en party was held at the home of Mrs. Stevenson, at the corner of Third and Bond streets, last evening, by the Young People's Society of the Presbyterian church. A short musical program was rendered, and games were indulged in, after which refreshments were served. Old-fashioned decorations of pumpkin ghosts and pumpkin blossoms was a feature of the entertainment.

Two instrumental duets were rendered by Miss Amy Reynolds and Miss Mable Mills. W. A. Smith appeared in a song, and Miss Louisa Gray gave a piano selection. About fifty guests were present.

HIS EYES INVOLVED.

Early yesterday morning E. A. Bemis, operator of one of the Mergenthaler typesetting machine on this paper was attempting a re-adjustment of the electric power that drives the machines, the fuse he was preparing, by some unnoticed contact, blew out striking him across the eyes. He went immediately to his rooms on Ninth street and Dr. J. A. Fulton was summoned, and he was carefully examined without delay. Dr. Fulton reports the case as involving much pain, but not necessarily dangerous as to loss of his eyesight in any part of it, a conclusion in which Mr. Bemis and his many friends found the cheerful hope of speedy recovery.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

United States to Ida S. Walker, patent, W 1, SE 1, E 1 SW 1, Sec 31, Tp 6 n, R 6 w.

United States to Jedd D. Walker, NW 1, SW 1, sec. 32, and NE 1, SE 1 and S 1 of NE 1, Sec 31 Tp. 6 n, R 6 w.

William R. McIntosh, et al to John L. Johnson, lots 3 and 4 in block 92, McClure's Astoria. Cost \$1400.

Emil Johnson, et al to R. A. Jorgenson ten acres in SW 1 of SE 1, Sec 32, Tp 7 n, R 9 w. Consideration \$100.

Peninsular Land and Trust Company to John Planting, lot 29, block 3, Taylor's Astoria. Consideration \$150.

Man's Unreasonableness.

is often as great as woman's. But Thos. S. Austin, Mgr. of the "Reublian" of Leavenworth, Ind., was not unreasonable, when he refused to allow the doctors to operate on his wife, for female trouble. "Instead," he says, "we concluded to try Electric Bitters. My wife was then so sick she could hardly leave her bed, and five (5) physicians had failed to relieve her. After taking Electric Bitters, she was perfectly cured, and can now perform all her household duties." Guaranteed by Charles Rogers, druggist, price 50c.

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Madge—And did he break the ice last night?

Maud—Break the ice? Why, I thought at one time that he was going to break every one of my ribs!

Son Lost Mother.

"Consumption runs in our family, and through it I lost my mother," writes E. B. Reid, of Harmony, Me. "For the past five years however, on the slightest sign of a cough of cold I have taken Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption which has saved me from serious lung trouble." His mother's death was a sad loss to Mr. Reid, but he learned that lung trouble must not be neglected, and how to cure it. Quickest relief and cure for coughs and colds Price 50c and \$1.00; guaranteed at Charles Rogers' drug store. Trial bottle free.

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